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going, by the user, from the third party Web site to at least one second third party Web site;

initiating an authentication process;

retrieving from the system and/or the third party Web site and securely transmitting by the system and/or the third party Web site appropriate user authentication credentials for the at least one second third party Web site; and

logging the user into the at least one second third party Web site.

- 41. (new) The method of claim 40 wherein the system and/or third party Web site encrypts the user authentication credentials.
- 42. (new) The method of claim 40 wherein the authentication process includes personal data that is not authentication credentials.
- 43. (new) The method of claim 21 wherein the user accesses the system and/or the third party Web sites using a device capable of accessing the network.

Conclusion

The foregoing new claims are being added to place the application in condition for examination. A favorable action on the merits is respectfully solicited.

No marked-up version is attached as no existing claims are amended; new claims are being added, as specified in the preliminary amendment.

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